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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2007, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a one-month extension of time from January 18, 2008, through February 18, 2008, accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.